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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on frozen 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was firm. Small volumes of hens and toms was reported for prompt shipments. Offer- ings are light and held with confidence. Demand was light to moderate. The market tone on bulk parts and meats was steady to weak. Demand on parts and meats was light. Offerings were adequate, instances burden- some.



EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading was light. Demand was mixed. Offerings were adequate.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **OCTOBER 12, 2006**

	CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/				FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	92-98	98	98.00	15	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	92-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	92-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION	92-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	92-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	92-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **OCTOBER 13, 2006**

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	94-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	94-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	94-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	94-98	95-97.5	96.69	59	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	94-98	95	95.00	10	-	-	-	-	SEP
WESTERN REGION 5/	94-98	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	SEP

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.

3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

	WEEK OF OCTOBER 13, 2006		
	CURRENT	LASTS	SAME WEEK
	WEEK	WEEK	YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	98.00	92.00	82.00
CENTRAL REGION	93.00**	96.50	83.38**
WESTERN REGION	93.00**	88.50 **	86.00

16-24 LB TOMS			
EASTERN REGION	96.69	92.00	81.50
CENTRAL REGION	95.00	90.93	80.38**
WESTERN REGION	93.00**	88.20 **	80.00

**BASED ON OFFERS

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	109-118
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	109-118
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	87-98
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	87-92
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	89-94

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	116-133
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	116-133
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	116-133
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	116-133
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	120-123

NATIONAL FRESH TURKEYS -

U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS
(prices reflect turkeys with timers) Week of October 16, 2006

Price (cents/lb.) Volume (lbs.)

PRICED AT TIME OF SALE

8-16 lbs.	96.73	688,000
16-24 lbs.	94.83	30,000

PRICE TO BE DETERMINED

8-16 lbs.	--	10,000
16-24 lbs.	--	5,000

Total Volume: 733,000

TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED IN FEDERALLY INSPECTED PLANTS

W/E 07-Oct-2006 (Preliminary)

		YOUNG TURKEYS		TOTAL TURKEYS		
		PCT	AVG			AVG
		CHG	LIVE	OLD		LIVE
-THOUSAND HEAD-		PW	WT	BANDED	-THOUSAND HEAD-	WT
North East	761	-10	24.31	(A)	763	24.31
South Atlantic	899	22	30.49	(A)	900	30.49
North Central	2,319	0	32.17	(A)	2,320	32.17
South Central	705	-6	18.28	(A)	706	18.28
West	288	-16	24.87	(A)	289	24.87
U.S. total	4,972(B)	0	28.27	6	4,978	28.27
To-date						
2006	180,428(B)			185	180,613	
To-date						
2005	174,940(B)			177	175,117	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 24,000; for the current year to date 984,000; for last year to date 941,000.

TURKEY MOVEMENT TRENDS

(IN THOUSAND POUNDS)

Slaughter-certified ready-to-cook turkeys

September	427,095*
October 1 - 7, 2006	112,590*

To date 2006	4,043,664*
To date 2005	3,979,277*

* Preliminary

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

	YOUNG		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS		TURKEYS
	Thousands				
W/E 07-Oct-2006					
Head	2,088	2,860	24	6	4,978
Avg Wt	16.85	36.62	27.59	28.64	28.27
Last week	2,055	2,886	52	1	4,994
Same wk yr ago	1,955	2,749	13	9	4,726
Avg Wt	16.25	35.22	27.53	27.53	27.34
To-date/2006	77,070	102,374	984	185	180,613
To-date/2005	70,790	103,209	941	177	175,117

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 12 OCTOBER 2006.

The market tone on tom wings, tom drums and tom necks was steady to instances weak, balance of hen and tom bulk parts was steady. Breast meats and destrapped tenders continue lower and under pressure. Demand was light, instances moderate. Offerings mostly adequate. Trading was slow. Export trading was slow as buyers are cautious and selective.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		W	126.00	240
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/	149.00		149.00	34
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		T	117.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	39.00-42.00		40.50	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	37.00		37.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		W	38.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	36.00-42.00		39.91	172
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		W	49.00	105
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	58.50	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN				
NECKS, TOM	36.00		36.00	40
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	200.00-225.00		211.02	490
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	96.00-97.00		96.44	72
BREAST TRIM MEAT	120.00-130.00		123.09	61
SCAPULA MEAT	132.00		132.00	8
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	232.00-252.00		236.62	26
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	89.00-102.00		98.00	150
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	19.00	41
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	19.00-21.00		19.67	440
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	39.00-41.00		39.67	120
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		F	31.00	5
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	17.00-18.50		17.75	160
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		W	96.00	40

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS INCLUDING BULK MEAT and FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 13 OCTOBER 2006.

The market tone on tom wings, tom drums, tom necks, breast meats, and destrapped tenders was steady to weak, balance of hen and tom bulk parts and meats was steady. Demand was light to moderate. Offerings were adequate with some burdensome. Trading was mixed. For export: grade A breast 20-24 lbs. 185 cents, mature full-cut wings 36 cents, and mature drums 37 cents. For Export: hand defatted gizzards 67-68 cents, thigh meat for Russia 103-104 cents.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	LST CDE	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		1/W	126.00	240	126.00	240
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		R	149.00	34	149.00	34
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		T	117.00	40	117.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	40.00-41.00		40.63	32	40.54	112
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH	41.00		41.00	40	39.33	120
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	38.00		38.00	40	38.00	80
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	57.00		57.00	17	41.44	189
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	48.00-49.00		48.50	40	48.86	145
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	57.00		57.00	40	57.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	106.00		106.00	5	106.00	5
NECKS, TOM	33.00		33.00	10	36.69	130
NECKS, HEN						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	205.00		205.00	40	205.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	200.00-210.00		203.78	360	210.55	1,050
THIGH MEAT						
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		R	96.44	72	96.44	72
BREAST TRIM MEAT		R	123.09	61	123.45	101
SCAPULA MEAT	132.00-137.00		133.67	60	133.47	68
TENDERLOINS						
DESTRAPPED TENDERS						
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	101.00-102.00		101.50	80	99.63	270
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	222.00-232.00		225.33	30	230.57	56
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	19.00	41		
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/		R	19.67	440	19.67	440
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	43.00		43.00	80	40.73	440
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	38.00		38.00	12	38.00	12
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	46.00		46.00	594	46.00	594
TAILS	32.00-33.00		32.63	32	32.63	32
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	19.50		19.50	120	18.56	320
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	98.00		98.00	160	97.60	200

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